FACULTY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETING MINUTES

Date: May 10, 2007  Time: 8:00 AM  Place: Leigh Library Multimedia Room

The meeting convened at 8:06. In attendance: Deborah Albritton, committee chair, Darrell Blevins, Kim Coale, Kathleen Hall, Corine January, and Loletta Redmon

A review of the Professional Development Sessions which were held in 2006-2007 was conducted. A general discussion of the overall success of the sessions ensued. It was agreed that finding a time which suited most of those wanting to attend was a problem which might be difficult to solve. It was suggested that at least some of next year’s sessions might be presented twice, once on each campus, in order to minimize the telecom difficulties, which was one of the complaints on the evaluation forms.

Next, discussion began on developing a theme for next year’s sessions. It was suggested that the theme would need to relate in some way to the QEP Student Engagement connection. Corine January suggested that it relate in some way to a “makeover” of the Faculty to better meet the needs of the future. Several ideas for sessions were suggested, such as Faculty presentation of appearance, physically and in attitudes; changing classroom environment; technology in the students’ lifestyle; and learner centered styles and methods, etc. A possible slogan for the year’s theme of “The Faculty of the Future” was developed. Plans were made to finalize this theme at the first meeting for the 2007-2008 year.

Plans were made to schedule the next committee meeting for the week of Aug 27-30, with the date and time to be determined later.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 AM